

# Iron County Register.

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IRONTON, MISSOURI.

Service's new king, Peter the First, took the oath of office at Belgrade, on the 25th, before the government assembly, the skupschina.

Sir Thomas Lipton and William Fife, designer of the Shamrock III, were guests of the president at the White House on the 25th.

Postmaster-General Payne was relegated to a secondary position in the post office investigation, on the 25th, and President Roosevelt has taken full control.

A motion was filed in the supreme court at Jefferson City, Mo., on the 25th, for a rehearing in the reassignment cases against 13 different railroads of the state.

Gen. Funston, commanding the department of the Columbia, informed the war department, on the 25th, that he had left for Alaska for an inspection of the posts in that territory.

The Kansas legislature convened in extra session, on the 24th, to relieve the flood situation. Thirty-four flood bills were introduced in the house and nearly as many in the senate.

Ex-Congressman Briggs was indicted by the federal grand jury in Brooklyn on the 24th. The indictment grew out of the investigation into post office affairs by the grand jury.

The funeral services of Paul Du Chailu, the explorer, were held on the night of the 25th in the Park Presbyterian church, New York city. The body was interred in Woodlawn cemetery.

E. J. Murphy, warden of the Illinois state penitentiary, on the 26th, declined an appointment as warden of the new federal prison at Atlanta, Ga. Murphy does not care to leave Illinois.

It is stated that the department of agriculture at Washington has decided to locate at Nacogdoches, Tex., on the line of the Southern Pacific, the largest tobacco experimental station in the world.

Six human skeletons were found, on the 25th, in a hole washed out by the water just north of Topeka, Kas. They are not the remains of flood victims, and how they came to be there is a mystery.

Judge Oliver A. Harker, of Carbonate, Ill., on the 26th, accepted the position of dean of the college of law of the University of Illinois at Champaign. Judge Harker had been circuit judge 35 years.

In the United States district court in Baltimore, Md., on the 25th, indictments were formally presented against C. Ellsworth Upton and Thomas W. McGrover for participation in the mail pouch frauds.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, on the 24th, announced that the government's experiments with the propagation of silk worm has proceeded so satisfactorily that the department will soon begin the actual rearing of silk.

Information reached Circuit Attorney Folk in St. Louis, on the 25th from a reliable source, that Daniel J. Kelley, the Royal baking powder agent who bribed John A. Lee, is receiving \$1,000 a month to stay in Canada.

The Turkish war ministry, on the 23d, telegraphed to the military authorities at Salonica to prepare for 50,000 troops; a similar dispatch was sent to Adrianople. An engagement with Macedonian insurgents took place at Perovo.

The United Typhoid of America, at its closing session in Atlantic City, N. J., on the 26th, selected St. Louis as the next meeting place, and elected Edward Stern, of Philadelphia, president and Edwin Frengard, of St. Louis, secretary.

In the United States district court at Springfield, Ill., on the 23d, the Benlen Liquor Co., of Hannibal, Mo., pleaded guilty to the charge of retailing liquor without paying the special tax, and was fined \$100 and costs on each of the counts.

Emperor William cabled his compliments to President Roosevelt on the visit of the American squadron to Kiel, and took occasion to commend the perfect condition in which he found the flagship of Admiral Cotten, the battleship Kearsarge.

Enough giant powder and nitroglycerine were found in the Colorado penitentiary at Canyon City, on the 23d, to blow up the entire prison. The discovery was made after the convicts who had attempted to escape were put through the sweating process.

In the United States court, at Macon, Ga., on the 25th, Judge Speer imposed a fine of \$1,000 each on three young men, William Shy, Arthur Cavson and Robert Turner, for holding a negro in involuntary servitude. The fines were suspended on good behavior.

The equestrian statue of Gen. Joseph Hooker, erected on the Massachusetts statehouse grounds, Boston, was dedicated on the 25th. Preceding the unveiling a great parade was held, in which scores of the most distinguished military men of America participated.

On the morning of the Fourth of July President Roosevelt will send from his Sagamore hill home at Oyster Bay a message formally opening the Pacific cable to the Philippine Islands. The message to be transmitted will be one of greeting and congratulation to Gov. Taft.

James P. McCann, former owner of race horses, has been missing from his home in St. Louis since June 18, and F. Seymour Barrington, of matrimonial fame, known as "Lord" Barrington, was arrested on the 25th. McCann, it is alleged, was last seen in Barrington's company.

# TOPICS OF THE DAY.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Gov. Montague, on the 25d, ordered the Seventeenth regiment, the Richmond Blues battalion and the Richmond Howitzers, an artillery company, on duty, to aid in maintaining order as against the street car strikers in Richmond, Va.

A. W. Machen, the dismissed superintendent of free delivery, who has been indicted by the federal grand jury, is making threatening allusions to disclosures he could make if pressed too hard, and he may yet say things.

Genevieve Potts, the eight-year-old daughter of Alfred Potts, the millionaire wall paper manufacturer, died, on the 25th, from the effects of burns she received in the fire which destroyed her parents' home at Greenwich, Conn.

It was decided, on the 23d, that the special term of the Harrison circuit court, to try Jett and White for the Maroon murder will be convened at Cynthiana, Ky., on July 27 next, Judge Osborne presiding.

Foreign ministers at the Serbian court began leaving Belgrade, on the 23d, as a protest against the government's attitude in not prosecuting the assassins of King Alexander and Queen Draga.

H. C. Eastman and E. A. Ewing, of Illinois, were among the candidates who, on the 23d, successfully passed the mental examination for admission to the naval academy.

Prof. H. R. Lang, of Yale university, was made a Knight Commander of the Order of Santiago, on the 23d, by the king of Portugal for his services to Portuguese letters.

The democratic convention at Des Moines, Ia., on the 24th, nominated for governor J. B. Sullivan, of Creston, and lieutenant-governor, D. B. Butler, of Iowa county. The convention refused to reaffirm the national platform of 1900.

Alfred R. Johnson, formerly of Akron, O., and Janesville, Wis., died in Kansas City, Mo., on the 24th, a few hours after being told of the death of his brother-in-law, Maj. James B. Pond, of New York.

Charles Staudling was fatally wounded, Clifton E. Walker seriously injured and Mrs. Walker badly bruised as a result of a shooting affray over a land case, at Cascade, Mont., on the 24th.

William Nemo was shot and killed at Butte, Mont., on the 24th, by Mrs. Della Kirk after her had choked her almost into insensibility because she threatened to leave him.

Austin Fields was arrested and fined \$20 at Jackson, Ky., on the 24th, for shooting through the window of K. C. Edwards' house. Edwards is a witness against Fields in a murder case.

Luigi Casata was convicted, on the 23d, in New York in connection with the recently discovered naturalization frauds. His conviction is the first among the many persons arrested.

Engineer John McKen was killed, Fireman Feist, of Ft. Scott, was seriously hurt and several passengers were bruised in a wreck at Cherryvale, Kas., on the 24th.

J. W. Pace, a prominent planter of Tallapoosa county, Ala., was arraigned for trial at Montgomery on 11 indictments, on the 24th, charging him with peonage.

Emperor William, on the 24th, received officers of the American squadron, visiting in the harbor of Kiel, and cordially welcomed them to German waters.

Harold C. Reed, or Mills, to escape whom Miss Laura Stieckler is said to have jumped from a hotel window several weeks ago, was discharged in Chicago, on the 25th, for want of prosecution.

G. A. Warner, formerly a wealthy resident of Minneapolis, died at his home in Los Angeles, Cal., on the 25th, aged 70 years. Mr. Warner was at one time interested in the Mesaba iron mines.

M. W. Savage, owner of Dan Patch and Directum, two famous horses, refused an offer, at Minneapolis, Minn., on the 25th, of \$92,000 for the two horses. W. W. Gentry made the offer.

A race riot broke out on the streets of Wilmington, Del., on the 25th, between whites and negroes. Two negroes were shot and two policemen were injured in making two arrests.

A butchers' public contest of killing and dressing animals at Toledo, O., was declared off, on the 25th, by reason of the legal interference of the Toledo humane society.

Broker C. Fuller, of Cleveland, O., and his 13-year-old son Harold, went rowing in Lake Erie on the 23d. Their boat was found, on the 25th, off shore, upside down and empty.

President Strucker of Hamilton college announced, at Utica, N. Y., on the 25th, that among the recent donations to the college was \$100,000 from Andrew Carnegie.

John Gollmar, a Serbian refugee in Jacksonville, Fla., was pardoned by King Peter on the 25th. Gollmar was exiled by Queen Draga's orders.

John H. Sikes, of Springfield, Ill., grand secretary of the Illinois Odd fellows, on the 26th, sent to the East St. Louis relief committee \$1,000 which the grand lodge of Odd Fellows had raised for the flood sufferers.

Mrs. C. C. Burnes and daughter, Majorie, of Chicago, on the 25th, brought suit in the federal court at St. Joseph, Mo., for a slice of \$1,000,000 of the Burnes estate, one of the wealthiest in Missouri.

Frederick Hartman, the first stage driver in Illinois, died at Eureka, on the 26th, aged 88. Mr. Hartman was in charge of a stage between Danville and Peoria from 1835 until the advent of railroads in 1860.

At the intercollegiate regatta at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., on the 26th, Cornell won all three races. The Syracuse university crew took close second honors in the freshman race.

A fire at Milwaukee, on the 26th, caused a loss estimated at about \$350,000.

Yale put it all over Harvard, on the 25th, by winning all three of the annual boat races at New London, Conn. The Blues celebrated their victory with an immense bonfire on the Yale campus at night.

Lester Wilcox, a 16-year-old boy, was shot by a soldier in Richmond, Va., on the 25th, for crying "soak" at a car and refusing to desert when ordered to do so. He was wounded in the hand and hip.

John Hawker, a resident of Moccasin, Effingham county, Ill., was murdered in the church in that village, on the 26th, by an unknown man.

Conclusive evidence has been obtained by Immigration Commissioner Sargent from United States inspectors abroad, showing that steamship companies co-operate with syndicates and agents to flood the United States with aliens and violate the contract labor law.

What is generally believed to be the largest individual transaction in the history of cotton dealing in this country took place on the New York exchange on the 25th. There were issued notices to the extent of 90,000 or 100,000 bales, the transfer being made on a basis of 12 cents a pound.

Admiral Cotton and the captains of the American warships assembled at Kiel were the guests of the German emperor on board his American-built yacht Meteor, on the 26th, and witnessed his majesty's winning of the day's race with the Hamburg, sailed by Prince Henry.

An affidavit by Charles Kingsley, of Falls Church, Va., has been made public, in Washington, alleging that A. C. Nellis, of New York, who had the contract for furnishing seed ready for distribution to the government, two years ago, directed that no books were to be kept and that the packages should be light weight.

## LATE NEWS ITEMS.

Frederick Seymour "Lord" Barrington was lodged in the Clayton jail, on the 25th, charged with the murder of James P. McCann on the night of June 18. The information was sworn to by Mrs. McCann, on the advice of her lawyer. Barrington admitted he might as well be hung at once as the evidence was against him.

Kiyoshi Satoh, of Tokio, was arraigned to the Universalist ministry in Boston on the 25th. Mr. Satoh is the first of his nationality to be ordained in this denomination. He was graduated from Lombard college, Galesburg, Ill., last June.

Robbers broke into a farm house two miles from Limestone, N. Y., on the 25th, and robbed James and Patrick Quinton, who lived there alone, of \$4,000. The Quintons, who are bachelors, were known to be suspicious of banks.

Rev. Montrose W. Thornton, colored, pastor of the First A. M. E. church of Wilmington, Del., preached a sensational sermon, on the 25th, in which he said the white man was a fiend incarnate, and a monstrous fiend incarnate.

Clifton Burtis killed his wife at Nacogdoches, on the 25th, by battering her head with a stove lifter. He was insane. After committing the crime Burtis hunted up a constable and invited him to see what he had done.

The annual communion service of the mother church of the Christian Science denomination was held in Boston, on the 25th, the three congregations aggregating over fifteen thousand persons.

Michael Lee and Miss Thera Waldum were drowned in the Sioux river, on the 25th, near Sioux City, Ia. The got into the wake of the excursion steamer Lorn, and their boat was overturned.

A new citadel, to be used as headquarters for the Salvation army in Cleveland, O., was dedicated on the 25th. Senator Hanna was chairman of the occasion.

L. M. Wilson, a traveling salesman for the Armour Packing Co., was assaulted in St. Joseph, Mo., on the 25th, and fatally cut. His assailant is unknown.

Street cars crossed the Kansas river, on the 25th, connecting the two Kansas cities after an interruption of exactly four weeks, caused by the great flood.

## MINOR NEWS ITEMS.

Little Claire Circle, of Springfield, O., has ten living grandparents in this country and two in England.

Andrew Graham, for 40 years chief assistant at the Cambridge observatory, England, has retired at the age of 58.

Prof. N. C. Stewart, supervisor of music in the Cleveland public schools, has resigned after filling the position for 36 years.

Forty-nine missionaries about to be sent to foreign stations by the Presbyterian union were given a farewell dinner in New York.

Charleston, S. C., with 31,000 negro and 24,000 white population, is ruled absolutely by whites, although blacks are treated fairly.

At the one hundred and forty-seventh commencement of the University of Pennsylvania degrees were conferred upon nearly 500 graduates.

Gen. De Wet has become the head of a political party in the Orange River colony which comprises a majority of the white population there.

In his annual report to the secretary of war the board of visitors to the military academy at West Point says that hazing practically has disappeared.

Hawaiian planters are anxious to have congress repeal the Chinese exclusion act. They say the Chinese are needed in the sugar fields in Honolulu.

The historic home in Cincinnati of Buchanan Read, in which the famous poem, "Sheridan's Ride," was written, has been sold to a saloon keeper for \$12,000.

The Mexican government proposes to compel all signs and advertisements on walls to be in Spanish with, if desired, translations into other languages.

Patrick H. Flynn, organizer of the Interurban system of New York, admitted on the witness stand that he paid \$150,000 blackmail and said it was often done in large enterprises.

In connection with arrests a few days ago in Peru, the government nipped in the bud a plot to seize the government by means of falsified documents to be incorporated by congress.

At the matinee races of the Gentlemen's Driving club at Glenville, O., Lou Dillon, owned by C. K. G. Billings, made a new world's record to wagon of 2:06 1/2, the former time being 2:07.

## MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Insurance Agents Anxious.

The solicitude of several life insurance agents as to the health and condition of a prominent St. Louisian for several weeks has been a source of amusement to other life insurance agents not interested in the case. The subject of their solicitude carries more life insurance than any other resident of the city, or in the west, and agents who had written him for amounts varying from \$100,000 to \$200,000 have been on the qui vive since he was taken down with typhoid fever. The fever ran its course through five long weeks and the agents breathed a sigh of relief when the patient was reported able to be about. They were thrown into a state of nervousness, however, and several summer vacations were postponed when it was learned that the patient had suffered a relapse. The insured carries \$1,000,000 on his life and pays an estimated premium of \$50,000 a year for it.

Refunding Whisky Taxes.

The act passed by the legislature last winter providing for the refunding of the money which was paid into the state treasury under the act levying a special tax on whisky, which the supreme court declared to be unconstitutional, is now in effect. The amount so paid in aggregated \$20,742.96. State Auditor Albert O. Allen began the issuance of warrants the other day, and State Treasurers R. P. Williams mailed checks to all persons, associations, companies and corporations shown by the books of the late tax commission to be entitled thereto. There are several hundred of these persons, and the average sum to be received by each is about \$10.

Woodson War Claims Not Included.

The news sent from Jefferson City that Elwyn Green, of the treasury department at Washington, was there to examine into the war claims of the state has brought a flood of letters to all the state officials. Holders of the Crawford war claims are sending in for their money. State Auditor Albert O. Allen states that the examination being made by Mr. Green is only as to the money which had already been paid by the state in the arming, equipment and support of soldiers for the civil war, and that no part of the war claim certificates issued during the administration of Gov. Woodson is included therein.

Suit to Break Askew Will.

Suit has been filed in the circuit court at Kansas City to set aside the will of the late William Askew, who left an estate valued at \$500,000. He was a widower and died without children. He willed his property to about thirty nephews and nieces. The suit is brought by Wilson Askew, Martha J. Gladwin, Hannah L. Tull and a dozen other nephews and nieces of the deceased, who were not remembered in the will, and who allege that he was of unsound mind.

Cigarette Law in Effect.

Boys under the age of 18 years must now find other means for getting their cigarette supply or lay their claims liable to the payment of a fine under the law passed by the general assembly last winter, which became effective June 22. Under the provisions of the act, which was introduced by Senator Stubbs, no dealer is permitted to sell any person under the age of 18 cigarettes, cigarette paper or wrappers.

Wants to Try Again.

Att'y-Gen. Crow asks for a rehearing in the cases of the 13 railroads which he tried to oust from the state because of the reassignment charges, and of the Continental Tobacco Co., which he tried to restrain from buying up all the independent concerns in Missouri. The supreme court has decided against him in each one of the cases.

Mrs. C. C. Burnes Sues for \$1,000,000.

Says a St. Joseph dispatch: Mrs. C. C. Burnes and daughter, Majorie, of Chicago, have brought suit in the federal court for a slice of \$1,000,000 of the Burnes estate, one of the wealthiest in Missouri. They claim to be unable to secure an accounting from L. C. Burnes, the present head of the estate.

Boy Drowned in Cistern.

A five-year-old son of William Riddell, of Monroe City, was drowned in a cistern. The boy fell about eight feet into water six feet deep, and when found a half hour later was lying face downward upon the surface of the water.

Died After Receiving Sad News.

Alfred R. Johnson, prominent in labor circles at Kansas City, died soon after hearing of the death of a brother-in-law, to whom he was attached.

Missouri Music Teachers.

The Missouri State Music Teachers association held its annual convention at Jefferson City. There was a good attendance. The governor addressed them.

A St. Louis Election.

At a special election the charter of St. Louis was amended. Only about fifteen per cent. of the vote of the city was cast. No interest was shown.

A Prominent Attorney.

Col. J. W. Jenkins, a prominent attorney, aged 78, died at St. Joseph. He served through civil war as colonel of Third-first Iowa.

Stricken With Paralysis.

Judge Elliott M. Hughes, on the circuit bench for 17 years, was stricken with paralysis at Mexico. Taken to home, Montgomery City.

Because Wife Is on the Stage.

Because his wife left him to join a theater troupe, Joseph J. Crely was granted a divorce at St. Louis. The suit was not contested.

Plymouth Rock at World's Fair.

Plymouth Rock may be exhibited at the World's fair. The rock weighs about five tons, and could be shipped on a flat car.

Mrs. John Rappold.

Mrs. John Rappold, 28, of Hermann, died the other day, after three weeks' illness from pneumonia.

## STATE ITEMS.

Woman Kills a Man.

Mrs. James Carter, the wife of a farmer near here, says a dispatch sent from Kennett, shot and killed Henry Conder, a farm hand, in her home at night. Carter, his wife and Conder had been together in the afternoon and had returned together a short while before the tragedy. Conder, who is said to have been under the influence of liquor, had given his money and his revolver to Mrs. Carter to keep for him. On their arrival, it is said, he used insulting language, and Mrs. Carter shot him twice with his own revolver. One bullet pierced the left side of his neck and the other struck him in the left side of the chest, causing almost instant death. Either wound would have been fatal. Carter was arrested with his wife, as he was with her at the time of the shooting, and they were locked up in jail.

Farris Prepares for Trial.

State Senator Frank Farris, of Steelville, who is under indictment by the Cole county grand jury for bribery during the session of the legislature two years ago, was in Jefferson City, the other day, arranging legal matters for a defense at his trial, which comes up at the next term of the circuit court. Court meets on the last Monday in July. Senator Farris says that he will be ready for trial when his case is called. He has engaged Attorney Morton Jourdan, of St. Louis, and Attorneys W. S. Pope and F. E. Luckette, of Jefferson City, to defend him. The cases of Senators Smith, Matthews and Sullivan will also come up in July.

Wants Baptist Association.

A committee consisting of Dr. W. P. Yeaman, R. S. Duncan and E. W. Stephens, has been appointed to visit the Central Theological association and a similar organization in northwest Missouri, with a view of securing a combined meeting of the two institutes in Columbia at an early date. An effort likely will be made to have all meetings held in Columbia. Mineola, Montgomery county, submitted a proposition to make certain donations if the institute would meet permanently there. Dr. Yeaman will donate his library if the institute will secure a permanent home and building.

Factory Girl Gets \$5,000.

Anna May DeKain, a factory girl obtained a verdict for \$5,000 against the G. W. Chase & Son Mercantile Co. in the circuit court at St. Joseph. She was formerly employed by the company, and jumped from a third-story window when its candy factory burned several months ago. She sustained injuries which she told the court are permanent. Failure to provide adequate fire escapes as required by a recent state law was alleged.

Quinn Jury Disagrees.

After remaining out nearly a week the jury in the case of State of Missouri vs. J. P. Quinn was discharged, at Columbia, without having found a verdict. Quinn is the male dealer of Memphis, Tenn., who is charged with defrauding several Boone county farmers out of mules. This is the second time he has been tried on the same charge, both juries failing to agree.

Destructive Storm at Armstrong.

A destructive electrical storm prevailed in Howard county. A large stock barn of Stark Bros., of Mount Airy, was destroyed by fire, caused by being struck by lightning. Several head of horses and mules were killed in the Mount Airy and Boone districts by lightning. A hard wind and heavy rain came with the storm, doing much damage to the crops.

Two Boys Run Away to Swim.

Paul Gabriel and Ernest George Hammett, aged 12 and 14 years, were drowned while bathing near Farber, Audrain county. The boys had left the house without telling anyone where they were going. A search was made for them, and their clothes were found on the bank of a big pond near by. The pond was dragged and their bodies were found together.

Whole Family Is Poisoned.

Rev. J. M. Clarke, of the Baptist church at Panama, Vernon county, his wife, their son Ray and a young girl making her home with them, were poisoned from eating ice cream. The cream was left in a freezer over night from a church festival. Potomac poison followed. All will recover.

St. Louis Now Leads.

Exports of boots and shoes have shown enormous increases in the last decade, the fiscal year about to close being the banner year of history. St. Louis manufacturers are now in the lead in this great industry.

Killed By Lightning.

Harry Templer, a young man of Adrian, was instantly killed by lightning while standing near his father. A. M. Templer, who was milking a cow.

Must Be In Good Condition.

In a criminal suit the circuit court of Boone county decided that a toll road can not collect toll unless the road is in good condition.

Oats and Flax.

Oats have been damaged by the wet weather and are turning yellow in places. Flax is doing fairly well in Bates, where it is grown.

Died While Watching a Fire.

Death came to Mrs. Louisa Pernot, 50 years old, while she stood watching a fire near her home in St. Louis. Doctor said excitement.

Windstorm in Saline.

A heavy windstorm visited Saline county, doing some damage, followed by a heavy rain, which was of great value to growing crops.

Accidentally Killed.

Gladys Kinzer, 12 years old, was accidentally killed with a cat rifle by her 6-year-old brother, Johnnie, in St. Louis, a few days ago.

Fatally Struck By Negro.

A few days ago Policeman Albert Nichols, of Macon, was fatally stabbed by a negro.

## MISSOURI CROPS.

Good Rains Have Fallen, But More are Needed - Corn Cultivation Vigorously Pushed.

Columbia, Mo., June 23.—The United States department of agriculture weather bureau, Missouri section, for the week ending June 22, says:

The temperature during the past week averaged higher than during the week preceding, but was somewhat below the normal, although there was a high percentage of sunshine. Moderately heavy showers fell in some localities on the 18th and 19th, but as a rule the precipitation up to the 20th, was very light, and many correspondents report that rain is badly needed for corn, oats, potatoes and gardens, and to soften the surface of the ground, which has become badly crusted. The conditions were favorable for showers during Sunday, however, and late reports indicate that good rains have fallen in portions of the central and northern sections at least.

The week has been very favorable for farm work, and the cultivation of corn has been vigorously pushed. The bulk of the crop is now clean, some having been cultivated the third time, and generally has a good color, but is not making as rapid a growth as it should, owing to the cool nights. In a few counties, particularly in the eastern sections, the crop is quite unpromising. Planting and replanting have progressed rapidly, but are not yet completed. In the northwestern counties much of the overflooded land has been replanted during the week. In the southeastern counties some corn has been laid by. The crop, as a whole, is backward and uneven, and in some districts the acreage will be much smaller than usual. The cool nights have been unfavorable for cotton, and in portions of New Madrid county it is becoming very lousy, but the crop is generally well cultivated and making fair progress.

Wheat harvest is about completed in the extreme southeastern counties, and will become general this week. Wheat is generally filling well in the northern sections, and in a considerable number of the northern counties promises an average, or nearly an average, yield, but in many of the central and nearly all of the southern counties only one-fourth to one-half a crop is expected. In some of the southern counties a considerable portion of the crop is not worth cutting. Rye generally promises well.

Oats continue in good condition in most of the northern counties, but are rusting to a considerable extent in the central and southern sections, and the outlook for the crop in those sections is much less promising than at the preceding week. Damage by the oat louse is reported in a number of counties.

Meadows continue to promise a heavy yield, except in a few counties. Much clover has been cut during the week and secured in good condition.

Cow peas, where sown, look well. Melons promise a fair crop in portions of Dunklin county.

Flax is improving in Vernon county. Early potatoes were seriously injured in some localities by the wet weather during the first part of the month, but generally present a good yield, and gardens are doing well, as a rule.

Apples promise from a half to three-fourths of a crop in some of the central and northern counties, and also in a few localities in the southern sections, but generally throughout the southern counties there will be less than one-fourth of a crop. They are still